

STONE & THOMAS.

Weather Forecast for To-day—Fair.

S. & T.

Bewildering Variety.

That's the general verdict from the great throng of shoppers. Every one of the five mammoth floors full of overflowing with goods suitable for Xmas presents—useful as well as ornamental.

Silk Petticoats.

Silk underskirts made of heavy quality taffeta silk, at \$4.95.
Finer ones at \$6.90 and on up to \$22.50 for elaborately trimmed skirts.

Fur Scarfs.

There will be a lot of furs given for presents this season, and nothing's more suitable.
Imitation stone marten fur scarfs \$3.95.
Brown marten fur scarfs \$4.95 up to \$24.85.

Fur Collarettes.

A wonderful collection here for selection. Prices range from \$3.95 to \$75.

Electric Seal

and near seal jackets at \$29, \$37.50 and on up to \$75.

Veleur Jackets,

plain or trimmed, in jet and braid, from \$19.50 to \$49.50.

A Good Silk Dress,

especially a good black one, always makes a very acceptable present. We will sell a splendid black silk or satin Duchess pattern at \$9.50.

Several different weaves for choosing finer ones, \$12.50, \$16.50, \$20 and \$35.

A Silk Waist

pattern put up in a neat box, plain or fancy—\$2.50, \$2.90, \$3.25 and up.

Kid Gloves.

Nothing more acceptable. You can buy gloves, and if sizes are not right can have the gloves fitted by an expert after the holidays.

Kid Gloves at \$1.00.
Kid Gloves at \$1.50.
Kid Gloves at \$1.75.
Kid Gloves at \$2.00.

The best makers in the world are represented in this big department.

Boys' Clothing.

The boys can be fitted here in up-to-date clothing at the fairest kind of prices.

The Basement Store

Dinner Sets—A new fine American porcelain dinner set, dainty floral decorations on clean white body, gold edges: 100-piece set for \$11.90.

Chamber Sets—About 25 new 12-piece toilet sets, including jar, nicely decorated. The best set ever shown by us for \$5.90.

Water Sets—Bohemian glass, emerald color, enameled flower decorations—jug and six tumblers to match nickel tray, per set 98c.

Bisque Figures—Dozens of fancy ornaments in bisque ware; also a very large assortment of bisque figures, 25c to \$8.00.

Tuck's Toy Books—Printed on untearable linen, 5c to 25c. Tuck's 15c line of toy books, fine lithographed illustrations, 10c.

Lathrop's Board Books for Children—Sunbeam series, 15c.

The Happy Home series, 19c.

Young American series, 25c.

Five Little Peppers, in board covers, 19c.

NAY BROTHERS—SHOES.

A New Pair Free

If they break.

Buy the young man a pair of

"Royal" Pats

For Christmas—the patent leather that won't break. The ideal shoe for dress wear, backed by our guarantee—a new pair absolutely free if they break through.

\$3.50.

NAYS...

1317 Market.

SAM B. MCKEE CO.

Christmas Eatables.

PINEAPPLE CHUNKS—Grown in Singapore. Canned fresh in heavy granulated sugar syrup. Sweet, tender, delicious. 18c.
At the can.

MALAGA GRAPES—Extra fancy, large tinted bunches. At the pound. 20c.
Christmas tree ornaments at less than half price. Large assortment. Candles fresh and pure.

SAM B. MCKEE CO., GROCERS.

Phone 675. 227-21 Market Street.

The Intelligencer

Office: 25 and 27 Fourteenth Street.

New Advertisements.

Christmas Comes! But Once a Year—House & Herrmann—Second page.

A Consignment of Pura—George R. Taylor—Sixth page.

Special for Saturday and Monday—Stanley's—Fifth page.

A New Pair Free—Nay Brothers—Eighth page.

Sister Would Like a Pair—Alexander—Fifth page.

Christmas Eatables—Sam B. McKee Co.—Eighth page.

Bank Statement—National Exchange Bank of Wheeling.

List of Letters.

Wanted—Persons to Travel—Third page.

20,000.

We have fitted more than twenty thousand pairs of Spectacles, giving us record and experience unequalled by any other optician in West Virginia. Satisfaction guaranteed.

JACOB W. GUTHRIE, Optician, No. 1306 Market Street.

Water Rents Are Due.

Water rents for the six months ending March 31, 1901, are now ready. If paid on or before December 31, 1900, a discount of 10 per cent will be allowed.

THE CITY WATER BOARD.

HIGH GRADE Box Candy and Fancy Fruit Baskets for Xmas Presents at

ALEX. DURST & SONS.

Christmas Glasses.

Henry W. Eitz, the Optician, has the finest line in the city, and you have the assurance of having the eyes fitted correctly after presentation without additional cost.

BRIEF MENTIONINGS.

Events in and Abt the City Given in a Nutshell.

The plant of the Wheeling Pottery Company closed down for the holidays yesterday.

The Wonderful Two Club will dance at McMeichen hall this evening, to music by Professor Rolfe.

Five new mattresses were purchased for the dormitory of the Hook & Ladder hose house yesterday.

An entertainment and reception will be given by the members of the Young Men's Improvement Association, at their club rooms on South Jacob street, New Year's night.

An entertainment will be given by the members of the Sunday school of the Zion Lutheran church, on Christmas night. A feature will be a large tree, illuminated with electric lights.

Ferdinand Formella, the South Market street painter, had the misfortune to run a needle through the middle finger of his right hand yesterday. The needle broke off and was afterwards removed by a surgeon.

Auctioneer C. S. Greer yesterday sold the John Castello property at the corner of Second and Main streets. The north half of the lot was sold to John Haberfeld for \$1,125, and the south half to Mary B. Thalman, for \$955.

CHRISTMAS MARKET at Vance Memorial Church, Saturday, December 22, at 2 p. m.

OUR Diamonds are all high grade and much finer in quality of material and brilliancy than you see elsewhere. DILLON, HANCHER & CO.

Petticoats, manufacturers' samples, one-half price. SWABACKER'S.

EXTRA SERVICE.

To-night and Monday the W. E. G. R. B. will run its regular service until 12 o'clock, and a late car leaving the city for Elm Grove at 12:40 a. m.

EVERYTHING beautiful in Cut Flowers and Potted Plants for Christmas at No. 66 Twelfth street, Wheeling Greenhouse Co.

KID Gloves, all colors, 75c. SWABACKER'S.

GET Thuber candy and you can eat it.

LADIES' and Gents' Gold Watches and Chains at M'NAMEE'S.

FRUIT BASKETS and High Grade Box Candy for Xmas Presents at ALEX. DURST & SONS.

BEST Fruit Cake in the city at ZIEGENFELDER'S.

GRAPHOPHONES. F. W. Baumer Co.

LAP ROBES, Whips etc., or leave us order to make you a Harness or Saddle for spring. Surely a nice present for a driver. See our catalogue.

SCHWETZBERGER'S.

The Manufacturer, No. 1146 Main street.

PATE Shells, such as only we make. ZIEGENFELDER'S.

OVAL Frames—gold and oak in all shades; every size. NICOLL'S.

Sum it Up—Boil it Down.

Price and quality wins the Trade as shown by House's Holiday Sale of Pianos.

Please the Family.

Buy a graphophone for Christmas and have famous band pieces, funny talks, songs, etc., at home.

F. W. BAUMER CO.

CANDY Animals, Fruit and Cakes at THURBER'S.

THE GREAT PIANOLA.

Wonderful Invention That Has Proven a Source of Pleasure to Thousands.

Some years ago the F. W. Baumer Company stated through the Overseas Press that they had secured the agency for that wonderful invention, the Pianola. Since that time this instrument has been meeting with a ready sale and the Baumer Company have sold a number of the best families in this city and vicinity.

This wonderful invention is truly a mechanical marvel. By its use any person can play the most difficult music without any knowledge whatever of music, and can play it as well as any but the most famous players, and can play it as many times as desired. It is so simple that a child can play it and produce the most exquisite music.

It gives all the expression and time to the places that the best performers give, and the music produced is as satisfactory in every way as the most expert performers.

The public is invited to call at the music rooms of the Baumer Company and hear this wonderful invention and it is safe to predict that the visit will be fraught with much pleasure.

XMAS PRESENTS.

Useful and Ornamental—C. Hess & Sons.

Oxford Mufflerettes—For men and women. Attractive and useful.

Dent and Adler Gloves—all grades. Earl and Wilson Dress Shirts.

Handkerchiefs—Silk Initial and Linen.

Monarch Shirts—A bright line of new designs—\$1.00, \$1.50.

Combination Socks—Silk Suspenders, Silk Arm Bands, Silk Garters, complete, in box—\$1.00.

Silk Suspenders—Genuine Sterling Silver and Gold Plate trimmings.

Ladies' Stock Scarfs—Something entirely new.

Holiday Neckwear—Largest and smartest line in the city—50c each.

A Suit of Clothes, Overcoat, Pair of Trousers or Fancy Vest, made to order, as we have their measures.

C. HESS & SONS.

Fashionable Tailors and Fine Furnishers, 1321-1323 Market St.

WINE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

The most acceptable Christmas present to give your friends or family this year would be a package of Fine Wines, Brandy or Whiskies. We keep everything in these lines in stock, and sell them in all quantities and at the very lowest prices in the city.

We would especially call your attention to our superb line of Wines, both sweet and dry, including all leading brands. We also sell Dougherty, Gibson, Melrose, Mayville Club, Frobe's Old Phil Pure Rye Whiskey at \$2.00 per gallon. Come in and get our wine lists and prices.

L. F. FROBE,

No. 1041 Market Street.

REGINA Music Boxes at F. W. BAUMER CO.

NOTICE.

\$60,000 WORTH OF BARGAINS.

This week to the early Christmas buyers we are giving 25 per cent off our regular prices on everything in our stock except diamonds, on which we give 10 per cent. Our diamonds are marked so low that to give 25 per cent off would mean an actual loss on every piece.

We buy goods in large quantities direct from the manufacturers for both wholesale and retail business, and this year we propose to give our customers the benefit of the bargains we secured.

SHEFF BROS.,

Wholesale and Retail Jewelers, Corner of Main and Eleventh Streets.

THE HUB CLOTHIERS.

Such a Lot

of sensible and serviceable gifts for men and boys there is in our big store. Any article in the entire building would be appropriate and acceptable. These, for instance:

Elegant Suit for Men,
Suit for Big or Little Boy,
Overcoat for Men,
Overcoat or Reefer for Boys,
Trousers,
Shirts,
Night Robes,
Umbrellas,
Gloves,
Ties,
Handkerchiefs,
Suspenders,
Mackintoshes,

and hundreds of other equally serviceable and attractive articles at very attractive prices.

Take a look at our windows, then come inside and take a look around.

THE HUB,

Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.

Fourteenth and Market Streets.

BAER'S CLOTHING HOUSE.

Choice Christmas Gifts For Him.

Mufflerettes at \$1.00—Just the thing to please him most. No recent fad has caught on among the men like the Mufflerette. They are the rage and they are dressy and warm—plenty of reason for their popularity.

Umbrellas \$1.00 to \$5.00—All the new styles of handles, from the natural wood to the fine horn, are here.

Neckwear 50c—The assortment will dazzle you with many colors and beautiful color combinations. Every fashionable shape is represented in our stock.

Christmas Gloves \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75 French Kid and Mochas, silk or wool lined.

Novelties in Fancy Hose—New shades in plain colors, by the pair or box.

LEE BAER,

FINE FURNISHING AND CLOTHING.

WILL GUTMAN.

1/4 off On Our Umbrellas, Mufflers, and Men's Shirts.....

25 CENTS ON EVERY DOLLAR Too Many--Must Be Sold by Saturday Night.

\$2.00 Mufflers, 1/4 off, go at \$1.50.
\$1.50 Mufflers, 1/4 off, go at \$1.12 1/2.
\$1.00 Mufflers, 1/4 off, go at 75c.
50c Mufflers, 1/4 off, go at 37 1/2c.

SHIRTS.

\$2.00 Shirts, 1/4 off, go at \$1.50.
\$1.50 Shirts, 1/4 off, go at \$1.12 1/2.
\$1.00 Shirts, 1/4 off, go at 75c.
50c Shirts, 1/4 off, go at 37 1/2c.

\$4.00 Umbrellas, 1/4 off, go at \$3.00.
\$3.00 Umbrellas, 1/4 off, go at \$2.25.
\$2.00 Umbrellas, 1/4 off, go at \$1.50.

WILL GUTMAN,

THE FURNISHER.

1311 MARKET ST.

LOCKE SHOE CO.

SHOES.

Have you thought that nothing you can give any member of your family for a CHRISTMAS PRESENT will give more genuine pleasure than a nice pair of Shoes?

We have the kinds you want and at prices you want to pay.

We can fit every one of the family out at a price that will make buying a pleasure.

Locke Shoe Co.

THE INTELLIGENCER IS THE BEST ADVERTISING MEDIUM.

STONE & THOMAS.

Keenly Progressive

are the lines blocked off in this announcement. Have other live, up-to-the-moment merchandise, but these we speak of to-day are as giants among pigmies.

Special for Friday: Fifty dozen ladies' two clasp Kid Gloves that have retailed elsewhere at \$1.00 pair, Friday only 49c Pair.

Handkerchiefs.



How different the Handkerchief business of to-day! Plain Linen Handkerchiefs with the possible addition of a little embroidery—constituted the bulk of a merchant's stock a score of years ago. To-day an inviting spread of limitless possibilities, in which lace and net play an important part—and the low Christmas prices here make Handkerchief gift-giving a prize issue. Ladies' fine, pure linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, with neat hand effect initials, 5c each. With neat hemstitched initials, enclosed in embroidered bow knot medallions, 25c each. Men hemstitched linen, with neat hand effect initials, 5c. Fine silk initialed profits, 10c. Initialed Handkerchiefs, 4 in box for 25c. Fancy Lace and Embroidered Handkerchiefs start at 5c—and there's no counting the styles between these and the 25c ones. The new Renaissance class is a winner—\$1.50 to \$2.50 each.

SPECIAL—until Christmas we offer all Real Duchess Lace Handkerchiefs and Berthas at ONE-FOURTH OFF!

China and Glass

Remove the name from our deep, accurately cut American glass—substitute any other name for LIBBEY—would it make the glass look whiter? Would it give added depth to the cutting? We think not. Libbey's blanks are the world's finest and no workman is more skilled than those who cut these blanks. A tremendous price-advance to purchasers of Snook & Co.'s Cut Glass, apparent at sight. CHAS. F. HAVILAND'S name is on our finest French China—that settles the quality question. DRY GOODS profits prevail—that settles the price question! An infinite range from which to choose. This China basement store of ours is alive with buyers—and bargains. Prices like these find quick takers:

100 Warwick Tobacco Boxes, worth 5c to \$1.00, 25c each.
100 Warwick Tea Caddies, worth 5c to 25c, at 15c, 15c and 15c each.
100 Warwick Celery Vases, worth 40c, at 15c each.
100 Warwick Spoon Vases, worth 25c, at 12c each.

A special line of Warwick Pin Boxes, Comports, Fruit Sauces, Trays, etc., at about one-half price. Warwick and Haviland Dinner Sets at prices that ought to sell every one before Christmas. Hogue Late Figures and ornaments lower than elsewhere. Austrian Cut Glass at cost.

Umbrellas.

Are like pins—they disappear in twinkling, and seldom come to light again. But there's one consolation—a good Snook & Co. Umbrella need not of necessity cost a large sum. We're famous for good Umbrellas at moderate prices, but do not draw the line on these during the holiday season, as an inspection will bring to light a surpassing range of fine Umbrellas, mounted on sticks, in which gold, silver, pearl and horn figure prominently, and prices for such are not IMMEDIATELY, either.

We sell both self-opening and self-closing Umbrellas—58c and \$1.50. Black and Colored Umbrellas for Children. Umbrellas with plain and carved ebony handles. Another large lot of those highly polished Collar and Cuff Boxes for Men. Are made of well-seasoned, quarter-sawn and inlaid plane wood, and will last a lifetime—\$2.50 to \$4.50.

Fur Scarfs and Coats

Try us for a real low Christmas price on FINEST GENUINE SEAL and real Persian Coats. The same decisive price-cuts on plain and trimmed "Near Seal" Coats—the latter class \$25.00 to \$75.00.

Imitation Black Marten Scarfs, with six bushy tails, \$3.50. Extra long Real Marten Scarfs, with ten real marten tails, worth \$25.00, at \$19.75—the difference is yours. Other splendid values in Real Marten Scarfs at \$25.50, \$18.00, \$15.00, \$12.50 and \$8.75. Fur Scarfs of many good parts from \$2.50 to \$12.50. New Liberty. BOBINET BED SETS—New, novel, effective—\$6.50, \$8.50 and \$12.50 the set. White, Rose and Delft "Near Silk" designs of a striking nature, applied on the surface of the net. The white are self-colored, the colored ones are outlined with either black or white, and are guaranteed perfectly fast. Twenty-two-inch wide ruffles remove every trace of stiffness and give an air of refinement to any iron or brass bedstead—one long deep ruffled sham with each spread.

Fay's Patent Hose.

For Children, 25c and 35c.

For Ladies, 75c Pair.

Kid Gloves.

Know just where we stand on this subject—know that the liveliest kind of selling—such as we're now having—must rest upon a substantial foundation. We have the color, size and style range—the quality, quantity and price range belonging to a representative Kid Glove stock. Here are a few:

"Trefosse" real French Kid Gloves \$2.00 pair.

"Astoria" finest Pique Suedes, \$1.75 pair.

"Maggioli Francesco," Lacing and Clasp, \$1.50 pair.

"Princesse," Lacing and Clasp, \$1.50 pair.

Real Mochas, Black and Colors, \$1.00 and \$1.50 pair.

Pine Kid Gloves for Children \$1.00 pair.

Adler's and Isadora's Gloves for Men.

That delayed shipment of Carlin's Jackets for Men, upon which so many of our customers are waiting, has arrived in all sizes up to 44—\$2.50 to \$1.00.

Purses

Pocketbooks, Finger Purses, and Leather articles such as Collar and Cuff Boxes, Music Rolls, Card Cases, Bill Books, Boston Bags, Chatelaines, Dress Suit Cases, Hand Bags, Satchels for Men and Women, etc. The same story of quantity and variety. Take the leathers in the purse line for example: Real Walrus, Real Seal, Real Alligator, both horn black and plain, real Sea Lion, real Morocco, real Lizard, Real Mexican hard carved steer real Pigskin, real Monkey and most all the leathers of lower note. Have them made up in many shapes and combinations, mounted with gold, silver and other metals. Three immensely popular lines—5c, 50c and \$1.00—only price to \$5.00.

Boston Bags 50c to \$3.00.
50 highly polished, hard wood Tabourettes, with shapely curved legs, ten-inch tops, great value, at 25c each.
Hobby Horses, Crokinole and Bombardo Boards. Toys of all kinds. Manicure and Toilet Articles in variety.

GEO. M. SNOOK & COMPANY.